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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:) Examiner: Tat, Binh C
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 Ryan Fung, et al.) Art Unit No. 2825
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 Application No.: 10/774,857)
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 Filed: February 9, 2004)
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 For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR)
 UTILIZING LONG-PATH AND SHORT-)
 PATH TIMING CONSTRAINTS IN AN)
 EDA TOOL FOR ROUTING)
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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE – EXAMINING GROUP 2825

Dear Sir,

In response to the Office Action mailed August 15, 2006, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to consider the following remarks.